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## SPLENDID COURT DAY

Beautiful Weather Attracts Large Crowd to Our City for March Court Day.

About 1250 cattle on the market. The quality was medium. Trade was a little slow, owing to the high prices asked, but towards noon buyers and sellers got together and a good many sales were made. Prices were high, very few head of stock were weighed. Steers sold at from 8 to 10 cents per pound; heifers were weighed as high as \$7.35; cows, at 5½ to 6½ cents; good bulls 7 cents. Good crowd at the pens and a few buyers from a distance who held off buying for fear they could not ship out. We caught a few sales as follows: Clark Welch & Co., sold 30 600-lb. cows to Jas. Wilson at \$5.25; A. L. Kerns, of Carlisle, bought 8 about 800-lb. cows at \$50; H. B. Adams sold 11 500-lb. heifers to Simon Weil, of Lexington, at 7 cts; Canny & Co., sold 50 about 500-lb. steers to Clarence LeBus, of Lexington, at \$39.50; Keeton & Co., sold same party 18 about 500-lb. steers at \$40 per head; Daiton & Son, of Fayette county, bought 23 500-lb. heifers of Wm. Cheek at \$7.35; Al. Kerns bought 8 about 500-lb. steers at \$40 per head; Denton & Son, of Fayette county, bought 34 600-lb. heifers at \$7.25 to \$7.35; Wm. Treadway sold 2 900-lb. bulls to Young Bros., of Bourbon county, at 7 cts; Jno. Mason, of Millersburg, bought 16 about 500-lb. steers of Sam Keeton at \$42.50; Ratliff Bros., of Bath county, bought 45 steers and heifers at \$50 for 600-lb. steers and \$32 for 450-lb. heifers. A good many other sales made during the day at about these prices.

### HORSES AND MULES

There was quite a number of mules on the market but good heavy ones were scarce. Most of the offerings were not in good order. Prices were high. J. L. Faulkner sold a mare mule thin in flesh, for \$235; Caywood & McClintock bought a lot at from \$175 to \$225; Gentry & Thompson, of Lexington, bought 12 mules at from \$175 to \$235. A few work horses sold at \$100 to \$125. No fine horses sold.

### LOCAL OPTION ELECTION TO BE HELD AT WINCHESTER

The Winchester Sun today published a news item to the effect that an authentic rumor is being circulated that a local option election will be called this fall by the anti-liquor interests. The Sun, which in the 1914 election, assumed a neutral attitude, today pledged itself to the local option interests.

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### R. R. STRIKE IS OFF

The railroad managers, after hearing of the sinking of the American vessels by the German submarines decided that now was a very bad time to fight the R. R. unions and in a letter signed by Elisha Lee, chairman of the Managers Committee, called the strike off with the following statement:

"In the national crisis precipitated by events, the National Conference of railroads joins with you in the conviction that neither at home nor abroad should there be fear or hope that the efficient operation of the railroads of the country will be hampered or impaired. Therefore you are authorized to assure the nation there will be no strike, and as a basis for such assurance we hereby authorize the committee of the Council of National Defense to grant to the employees who are about to strike whatever adjustment your committee deems necessary to guarantee the uninterrupted and efficient operation of the railroads as an indispensable arm of national defense."

This statement was given to President Wilson's mediators Monday morning.

### Adamson Law Upheld.

The Adamson eight-hour railroad law was held constitutional and valid in all respects Monday by the Supreme Court.

The decision makes eight hours the standard of a day's work and wages for men in operation of trains and legalizes the wage increase which went into tentative effect on its passage. The immediate temporary wage increases won by the railroad employees affect 400,000 trainmen, as of January 1, and are estimated to total between forty million and fifty million dollars in back pay to employees.

### GATEWOOD FARM SALE

Mr. Tom J. McCormick bought the John M. Gatewood farm at public auction Monday paying \$210.00 per acre for same. There is 85 acres in the farm and it has on it a beautiful large Colonial brick residence and all necessary outbuildings including a tobacco barn. The farm adjoins other land of Mr. McCormick. Considering the improvements this farm did not sell especially high.

### WILSON FARM SALE

The small 36-acre farm of Mrs. Lizzie Wilson, situated on the Camargo pike a short distance from the city limits was sold at public auction at the Court House door in this city Monday for \$190.10 per acre. Mr. C. M. Brown was the purchaser. Considering that there are no improvements on the place this is considered a good price.

For Sale—One line of store shelving. 31-tf. J. H. Brunner.

## TOUCHING APPEAL MADE

Mr. Victor Bogaert, of Lexington, Speaks to Large Audience Here Sunday Night.

Mt. Sterling people who are interested in conditions in war-stricken Europe, were given a rare opportunity Sunday night to receive a first-hand account of the painful situation prevailing in devastated Belgium. Mr. Victor Bogaert, an officer of the Belgium Relief Commission, was the speaker. Mr. Bogaert, though a naturalized American citizen, is a native Belgian and has spent as much time in Belgium during the last thirty years as in the United States, being a buyer for a New York jewelry house, and has crossed the Atlantic one hundred and three times. He was in his Brussels home at the breaking out of the war, and immediately enlisted in the Red Cross Society. He saw active service for more than a year, and on one occasion was mistaken for a French spy and sentenced to be shot at four o'clock the next afternoon.

The speaker declared that the horrors of the Belgian invasion exceed anything that has appeared in the public prints. One of the most amazing occurrences, he stated, was the appearance of the large number of men in German uniforms who seemed to rise out of the very ground on the first day, who had not been known at all as even sympathizers. He said that men who had talked freely with you, and engaged in general conversation, startled you a few hours later by appearing in German uniform, and thrusting a pistol in your face. Hundreds of unsuspected people turned out also to be active German spies. The country proved to have been literally overrun with them. He said that the deporting to Germany of Belgians, most of them probably to sicken and die, was one of the most pathetic spectacles imaginable.

Referring to the popular saying: "Belgium has been the battleground of Europe," "Yes," declared the speaker, "but when in the history of battles was poor bleeding Belgium, baby Belgium, ruthlessly, cruelly, and literally destroyed? Her cathedrals, her libraries, and other buildings of beauty and fame, remained undisturbed and unharmed throughout the centuries until now, but with this war they have perished from the earth. The very trees from the public parks are being taken down and transported." The speaker said that you can see such distressing sights as the burned homes of inoffensive and murdered peasants, with white sheets still hanging on fences and poles,

### TO RETURN TO FLORIDA

Mr. Clarence E. Stephens, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Stephens, of this city, who is now located in Baltimore, Md., is soon to return to Jacksonville, Fla., where he previously resided, to become manager of one of Jacksonville's largest and most up-to-date cafeterias, doing a \$300 business daily. Mr. Stephens became interested in this business while in Florida and has decided to return and accept the position as manager which has been tendered him. Clarence formerly worked for the Advocate and Gazette in this city, and since leaving here two years ago has worked in many of the large cities in the United States as a Linotype operator, among them being Jacksonville, St. Augustine, Green Cove Springs and Palatka, Fla.; Duluth, Minn.; Detroit, Mich.; North and South Dakota; Baltimore, Md.; Indianapolis, Ind.; Memphis, Tenn.; Atlanta, Ga., and other places of interest. Clarence is one of the cleanest young men Mt. Sterling has ever turned out, being strictly temperate, honest and industrious, and his many friends in this city will learn with pleasure of his success.

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that the poor creatures had placed there as flags of truce to attract the notice of the onmarching and invading foe. The purpose of it all is regarded, he said, as an object lesson to terrify the world with the thought that opposition to mighty Germany anywhere on God's footstool means death and destruction to the opposer.

And yet, he says, it is not the great German people, but their wretched and ancient system of militarism, that is to be blamed for it all, and that some day they will rise up in their own strength and say that it must cease. Mr. Bogaert said that the appeal is for suffering humanity that the Commission makes, not because it is Belgium, and the same would be done if the case were reversed, and the sufferers were Germans instead of Belgians. "Let us, at the sight of such want and woe, know no race, no cause but humanity, and no creed but Christ and the brotherhood of man." It was an interesting address, striving not to be partisan, nor harsh, but giving cold hard facts, and appealing only for suffering men, women and children who have been the victims of the awful horrors of war. A handsome offering for the Relief Fund, which is handling nine millions of dollars a month, was taken. Five millions from England and four millions from France are sent to this country every month for the purchase of food for Belgium, and to this we are adding the remaining one million.

## GERMANS SINK OUR VESSELS

Three American Ships are Sunk by German Submarines Without Warning.

The sinking of three American steamers by German submarines early Sunday, with possible loss of life among the crews of two of them, is the outstanding feature in the war news. The American steamers Vigilancia, City of Memphis and Illinois were the vessels sent to the bottom by German submarines. The Vigilancia was torpedoed without warning and the City of Memphis was torpedoed after the crew had been given fifteen minutes to leave the ship. The Illinois is reported merely as having been "sunk." The crew of the Illinois was saved, but members of both the Vigilancia and the City of Memphis, most of them Americans, are missing. The City of Memphis and the Illinois were bound respectively, from Cardiff and London for the United States in ballast. The Vigilancia was bound for Havre.

The belief prevails in Washington that war with Germany is now a matter of days, if not of hours. The sinking of three American ships apparently is the last straw. President Wilson has not as yet announced his intentions as to calling an extra session of Congress, which action he is being urged to take.

### Eggs for Hatching.

White Leghorns and Rhode Island Reds. None better, prices reasonable. Eggs incubated for 3 cents each. Mrs. Richard Wilson. Maysville pike, phone 348. (38-2t)

### LITTLE HAS FINE SALE

The sale of Mr. E. R. Little held at the stock yards in this city on Thursday, was attended by a large crowd. Mr. S. B. Lane bought the farm known as the Greenwade farm, paying \$67.50 per acre for same. The Ragan place was bought by Mr. R. A. Childers for \$159 per acre. Before the sale Mr. Lester Lee bought the Bunker Hill farm for \$90 per acre. The Stofer farm was taken down at \$70.25 per acre, and Mr. Little also rejected a bid of \$13,525 for his home place near the city limits. Live stock sold at good figures and the sale amount to more than \$50,000. Had Mr. Little accepted the bids on the two places rejected his sale would have reached close to \$75,000. Mr. Little has not fully decided just where he will locate and his many friends hope he will stay in this county.

### Silo for Sale.

150-ton Saginaw Silo. Apply to Albert Stofer, phone 614-W-2 38-3t

### STROTHER BREAKS RECORD

The Strother Motors Co., of this city since the beginning of the Ford fiscal year has sold more cars than it has ever sold in any one whole season and as yet have several months to run on the present fiscal year. The list of cars sold is quite a compliment to the ability of this hustling concern. The following people are the purchasers: Martin Ramey, J. W. French, George Roberts, Carroll Jones, L. W. Lee, Robt. Tipton, Marshall Myers, R. T. Richardson, Finley Kincaid, M. K. Tapp, J. H. Caywood, W. C. Taylor, I. J. Chase, James Curtis, Wm. Utterback, Dr. J. A. Vansant, Dr. J. T. Bonner, J. D. Turley, C. E. Coons, Russell Tabor, S. M. Williams, W. S. Peck, Trimble Grocery Co., Geo. Blevins, Kearny Caudill, Dr. M. Faulkner, Arthur Johnson, Mrs. J. C. Turley, Wm. McCarty, J. M. Doane, Oliver Howell, Mrs. O. S. Bigstaff, Floyd Clay, J. W. Hon, Tilford Hinkle, R. T. Judy, McCormick Lumber Co., Dr. L. R. Johnson, Richard Winn, B. F. Candill, Colonel Gatewood, Lawrence Peed, S. D. Gay, T. J. Moberly, J. B. Clarke, E. E. Jones, Mrs. Allice Gay, Russell Perry, I. J. Shelton, Geo. Anderson, Jr.

### Eggs for Hatching.

Pure ringlet strain of Barred Plymouth Rock. Good layers. Fifteen eggs for seventy-five cents. Mrs. James Cravens. Phone 559-W-1 (38-4t)

### BRIDGE DYNAMITED

This morning a Lexington officer with two bloodhounds passed through Mt. Sterling enroute to Sherburne, where it was reported the toll bridge between the counties of Bath and Fleming had been blown up last night with dynamite. If true, we earnestly hope the guilty parties may be brought to justice.

### BUYS NATIONAL HOTEL

Mrs. Lula Barnes bought the National Hotel which was sold Monday by the Master Commissioner to settle an estate, paying for the property \$10,000.00. Mrs. Barnes bought same for an investment. This property sold a few years ago for \$20,000.00.

### For Sale or Rent.

Brick residence known as the Col. Johnson home. One of the most desirable homes in the city. Apply to N. H. Trimble. (38-tf)

### NEW STORE STARTED

Mrs. F. L. Cox has opened up a dry goods, notions and rug store in the William building on the corner of Main and Bank streets. Mrs. Cox will make a specialty of remnants, ladies bungalow aprons, etc., and the public is cordially invited to come and inspect her stock, with the guarantee that money can be saved at this store.

THE TABB THEATRE  
Judy & Gay, Lessees



CLARA KIMBALL YOUNG IN  
"The Common Law"  
Thursday, March 22  
SEVEN REELS

Matinee 2:00, 3:30 Adults 25c, Children 15c

Guarantee We positively guarantee "The Common Law" to be the most elaborately staged and best acted picture ever shown in this city.

## WEEKLY PROGRAM

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 21st  
Frank McIntyre in "The Traveling Salesman"  
THURSDAY, MARCH 22nd  
Clara Kimball Young in "The Common Law"  
FRIDAY, MARCH 23rd  
Mary MacLaren in "The Mysterious Mrs. M."  
SATURDAY, MARCH 24th  
Lou Tellegen in "The Victoria Cross"  
MONDAY, MARCH 26th  
Vivian Martin in "The Right Direction"  
TUESDAY, MARCH 27th  
Antonio Moreno and Edith Storey in "Money Magic"  
Matinee Every Day at 2:00 and 3:30

### —EXTRAS—

Every Monday—Mrs. Vernon Castle in "Patria"  
Every Tuesday—Big V. Comedy  
Every Wednesday—Hearst-Pathe News  
Every Thursday—Hearst-Pathe News  
Every Friday—Pearl White in "Pearl of the Army"  
Every Saturday—Lonesome Luke in a Comedy